UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Plaintiff,

Case No. CA 13-442

v.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Defendant.

NOTICE PURSUANT TO SECTION XIX(3) OF INTERIM SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

As required by Section XIX(3) of the Interim Settlement Agreement, Plaintiff United States hereby informs the Court and the State of Rhode Island that it disputes that the State will be in substantial compliance with the Agreement by July 1, 2020 without a course-correcting change in the State's approach to compliance. While the United States acknowledges that the State made initial progress in implementing the Agreement's provisions, recent monitoring has showed that the State's efforts have stalled such that it may not independently act to achieve the requisite outcomes before the Agreement ends. The United States respectfully requests that the Court direct the Interim Court Monitor to begin working with the State immediately to develop and implement a plan for completing the Agreement's highly achievable remaining outcomes, and schedule a status conference with the Parties in January 2020 to address next steps.

Dated:

December 23, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

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